

Religious News.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Armstrong, of New York, were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. C. M. Griffin last Sunday. Mr. Armstrong is one of the firm of L. W. & P. Armstrong, the largest sugar importers in America. Mrs. Armstrong comes from a family containing Methodist preachers in every generation, and her thought and care for ministers and their families are proverbial in Grace church, where Dr. Griffin was pastor for some years.

Elm Park Sunday school has 1,300 enrolled attendance, with 970 present on a recent Sunday. It is a singular fact that the attendance continues after Christmas with a smaller percentage of loss than that of any other Sunday school in the city. A Home Department has been established already containing 150 members, who keep up the lesson study at home, being unable to attend Sunday school.

Wyoming seminary has had over 300 students the last year, and has been unusually prosperous and successful. The new Caroline Pettelone gymnasium will be completed early in January, when the dedication will take place.

Miss Augusta Elvir, of Simpson Methodist church, read a paper at the missionary convention in Waverly, N. Y., which has attracted much favorable mention.

The West Side pastors will hold a meeting Monday morning in Rev. Mr. Moffatt's study to consider the appropriate observance of the week of prayer.

The Young Women's Christian association asks for the gift of a Christmas tree and a city directory for '97.

Quarterly meeting will be held at Simpson church tomorrow morning beginning with love feast at 9 o'clock and continuing with the customary services.

The next meeting of the Scranton Archdeaconry will be held in St. Mark's church, Dunmore.

Rev. Wynny Morgan, a well-known divine of Swansea, Wales, will speak in the First Welsh Baptist church tomorrow at both services.

Many churches are sending out requests for donations of provisions for the poor for Christmas. St. Luke's, Elm Park and others are making this appeal.

Miss Susan E. Dickinson in collaboration with Mr. C. H. Chandler has produced one of the very best Sunday school Christmas services in its selection and original compositions. We have had the pleasure of seeing. We commend it most heartily to all who desire to use such services and are very glad to see strong evidence of

Miss Dickinson's guiding hand in such work. The service may be had of Messrs. L. B. Powell & Co.—St. Luke's Churchman.

The quarterly conference of the Welsh Calvinistic Methodist churches of Northeastern Pennsylvania will be held in the Bellevue Welsh Calvinistic Methodist church, commencing at 9 o'clock this morning and lasting two days. The morning and afternoon sessions of today will be devoted to the transaction of business. This evening and tomorrow's session will consist of preaching, singing and the discussion of religious topics.

Rev. T. E. Joyson will read a paper at the Baptist Pastors' conference on Monday at 10:30 on "How to Get Our Church Members to Do Personal Work in Saving Souls."

Religious News Notes.

Rev. A. L. Ramer will assist at the consecration of St. Peter's Lutheran church of Pittston on Sunday afternoon.

The dedicatory services of the new St. Peter's Evangelical church, Hughestown, will begin next Sunday and continue for three days.

Next Sunday evening at 7 o'clock the Sunday school of Calvary Reformed church will celebrate their Christmas anniversary. All are invited.

Rev. Foster U. Gift has been appointed one of the evening speakers for the next meeting of the synod. Seldom does this appointment fall upon one so young in the ministry.

The Mission band of St. Mark's Lutheran church will meet this afternoon in the church. The Christmas festival will be celebrated by the Sunday school on next Friday evening.

Assistant Secretary W. A. Berry will conduct the meeting at the Railroad Department, Young Men's Christian association, Sunday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock. All railroad men and their families are welcome.

Mrs. Frank Watts will lead the regular Sunday afternoon devotional meeting of the Young Women's Christian association Sunday. Mrs. Watts is a very interesting speaker, and her direction assures all of a profitable meeting. Song service will begin promptly at 2:45. All women welcome.

The Young Men's Christian association, 222 Wyoming avenue, invites the men of Scranton and men who are strangers in the city, to be present at the rooms on Sunday at 3:45 p. m. Mr. Frank Pearsall, secretary of the Railroad Young Men's Christian association, will address the men's service on the subject "A Good Bargain." The address will be preceded and followed by special orchestral and vocal music.

During the past week the Volunteers of America have been laboring hard, holding nineteen meetings, at which an invitation was given to the un-saved to seek and find the Savior. Meetings are held every night and on Sunday afternoon at 3:45 we hold a meeting for Christians. Come along and get a blessing. In the evening at 8 o'clock Captain Hoppes will prove by scripture of a famine that will strike Scranton.

The Christmas entertainment at the Jackson Street Baptist church will by far eclipse any ever rendered by this church. Over three hundred children are to take part in the production of "The Christmas Ships are Sailing In," assisted by the choir under the leadership of Lewis Davis. The spacious

building will be elaborately decorated for the occasion. A full-rigged ship will be one of the unique decorations, manned by a group of boys. A silver collection will be taken at the door.

Tomorrow's Services.

Green Ridge Presbyterian Church—Rev. Isaac J. Lansing will preach at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Bible school at 12 o'clock. Meeting of the Christian Endeavor society at 8:30 p. m.

All Souls Universalist church—Rev. P. W. Whipple pastor. Morning subject, "The Great Prophecy;" evening subject, "The Moral Side of Trivial Things."

First Welsh Congregational church—South Main avenue, Rev. David Jones pastor. Services 10 a. m. communion service, sermon by the pastor, subject, "The Marks of Christ;" evening, 6 p. m., subject of sermon, "Suggestions of a Vacant Seat;" Sunday school at 2 p. m. Seats free. All are welcome.

Elm Park church—Prayer and praise service at 9:30, preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., by the pastor, Rev. C. M. Griffin, D. D.; Sunday school at 2 and Epworth league at 6:30 p. m.

The Free Methodists will have preaching in the cooperative hall, 128 North Main avenue, Hyde Park, Sabbath at 3 p. m. All are welcome. John Cavanaugh, pastor.

First Church of Christ (Scientists)—No. 519 Adams avenue. Sunday service 10:30 a. m. Testimonial meeting Friday evening at 8 o'clock. All welcome. Seats free.

The People's Protestant church—Rev. Dr. Bird, pastor. There will be regular preaching services on Sabbath at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. in No. 125 Adams avenue. Sunday school at 12 m. Morning subject, "A Modern Hypocrite;" evening subject, "Pious Heresies and Social Shams;" All are welcome.

Grace Evangelical Lutheran church—Corner Madison avenue and Mulberry street. Rev. Foster U. Gift, pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning theme, "The Worth of the Individual;" Evening theme, "Christ Wounded in the House of His Friends."

The Second Presbyterian church—Rev. Charles E. Robinson, D. D., pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The pastor will preach morning and evening. All are welcome.

Cedar Avenue Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. J. L. Rice, pastor. At 10 a. m., general love feast, to be followed by sacramental service. Sunday school at 11:30 a. m. Epworth league at 6:30 p. m.; leader, Miss Hilda Evans; subject, "The Witness of the Spirit;" children's service at 7:15 p. m.; preaching at 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. Subject, "Dancing." It may be of great service to those who have dancing to attend this special service. It's a live subject. The usual weekly evening services, to which all are welcome. A special Christmas service on Friday evening for the Sunday school and congregation.

Howard Place African Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. H. A. Grant, R. D., pastor. 10:30 a. m., subject, "The Mind of Pentecost—the Fire;" 12:10, Sunday school, 7:40 p. m., the second of a series of sermon lectures on "Inspiration and Immortality." A cordial invitation to all to attend any of these services.

St. Luke's Parish—Rev. Rogers Israel, rector. Rev. Edward J. Haughton, curate. Fourth Sunday in Advent.

St. Luke's Church—7:30 a. m., holy communion; 9:15 a. m., Sunday school; 10:30 a. m., morning prayer, litany and sermon; 7:30 p. m., evening prayer and sermon.

St. Mark's, Dunmore—7:30 a. m., holy communion; 10:30 a. m., morning prayer and sermon; 3 p. m., Sunday school and Bible class; 7:30 p. m., evening prayer and sermon.

St. George's, Olyphant—In Edwards' hall, 2:30 p. m., Sunday school; 6:30 p. m., evening prayer and sermon.

South Side Mission, Fir street—2:30 p. m., Sunday school; 6:30 p. m., evening prayer and sermon.

East End Mission, Prescott avenue—2:30 p. m., Sunday school.

At the Jackson Street Baptist Church—9:30, morning prayer meeting; leader, Stephen Dawes; 10:30 a. m., preaching by

the pastor, Rev. Thomas de Gruchy. Topic, "Religious Explanations." 2 p. m., preaching at 10:30 a. m. Subject, "The Moral Side of Trivial Things." 7:30 p. m., subject of sermon, "The Moral Side of Trivial Things." All are cordially invited to all our services.

Court Street Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. George T. Price, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. Subject, "The Two-fold Effect of Truth." 8:00 p. m. in the evening at 7:30, "Leaver as a Symbol of Christianity." Epworth league prayer meeting at 6:30 p. m.

Calvary Reformed Church—Corner Monroe avenue and Gibson street—Rev. G. W. Welsh, pastor. 10:30 a. m., morning service; 11:45, Sunday school; 6:45, Christian Endeavor; 7:30, evening service, "Famine and Plenty."

Providence Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. William Edgar, pastor. Usual services will be held. Subject at 10:30 a. m., "Gospel Idea of Holiness." Subject at 7:30 p. m., "A Night in Babylon." This subject is the subject of the lesson on 2 p. m. Epworth league at 6:45. Seats free. All are welcome.

First Baptist church—Scranton street. Rev. S. E. Matthews, pastor. Prayer meeting 10 a. m., leader, Deacon C. Corlies. The pastor will preach in the morning at the usual hour. In the evening the "Yoke Fellows Band" of the Railroad Young Men's Christian association will have charge of the service. Sunday school Saturday at 2:30 p. m., leader, Miss Anne Morgan. All are cordially invited to these services.

The Church of the Good Shepherd—Green Ridge street and Broadway avenues. Holy communion, 8 a. m., morning prayer, litany and sermon, 10:30; Sunday school and Bible class, 2:30; evening prayer and sermon, 7:30. All seats free. All are welcome.

United Evangelical Church—Cannon avenue. Rev. C. D. Moore, pastor. Sabbath school, 9:45 a. m., preaching, 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Keystone League and Christian Endeavor will hold a special meeting at 12:30 p. m. on Wednesday. Sunday school meeting Monday evening at 7 o'clock. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30. All are welcome.

First Presbyterian Church—Pastor, Rev. George E. Guild, Morning theme, "Bible Anchorage." Sunday school, 12 m.; Junior Endeavor, 3 p. m.; Senior Endeavor, 6:30 p. m.; evening service, 7 o'clock; mission service, 9:30 a. m. Sermon by Rev. John Kusak.

Seventh Day Adventist—Elder W. H. Smith has returned from a ministerial convention held at South Lancaster, Mass., and will speak in the Finn chapel, corner of Penn avenue and Marion street, Sunday at 2:30 p. m. and 7 in the evening. Subject for 2:30, "The Last, or Remnant Church." All are invited.

Penn Avenue Baptist Church—The pastor, Dr. Dixon, will preach at 10:30 a. m., "Dollars in the Lord;" Evening, "The Royal Foot;" No. 2 in series on "The Fruits of the Bible." Sunday school at 2 p. m. American Memorial school at 3:30. Christian Endeavor at 6:30. Mr. Watkins will sing at the evening service "Patriot's Prayer to the Father," and "Whosoever." The stranger's Sabbath Home.

Washington Street Presbyterian Church—Rev. John P. Moffat, pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Bible school at 12 m. Junior Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. Intermediate Christian Endeavor at 8:30 p. m. Senior Christian Endeavor at 8:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m. The pastor will preach in the morning on Matt. xxv, 46, and in the evening on "The Living Waters." All cordially invited to all of these services. An offering for the board of freedmen will be taken at the morning service.

The First Welsh Baptist Church—The Rev. Wynny Morgan, of Swansea, Wales, will occupy the pulpit morning and evening. Morning services will be in Welsh and the evening service in English. Mr. Morgan has held important charges in London and Liverpool and is a scholarly and eloquent speaker. In first appearance in the above church in April last gave

great satisfaction to the neighborhood. He has since traveled and lectured in a large number of the western and southern states and is now on his way to the New England states.

Green Ridge Baptist church—Rev. W. J. Ford pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Subject in the morning, "The Deacon and His Office;" in the evening, "Young People and Their Play."

Hampton Street Methodist Episcopal church—P. Doty, pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Preaching by the pastor. Morning subject, "The Christian Sabbath;" Sunday school, 2 p. m.; general prayer meeting, Wednesday evening, 7:30.

Methodist Episcopal Church—Clark's Summit—Rev. Frank W. Young, pastor. Sunday school, 10 a. m.; class meeting, 12 m.; Epworth league, 6:45 p. m., led by Arthur Datsman. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 1:30 p. m. Morning subject, "Manhood." Evening subject, "An Unanswerable Question." The Patriotic Order Sons of America of Clark's Summit will attend the morning service in a body.

Grace Reformed Episcopal Church—Wyoming avenue, below Mulberry street. Sabbath school at 12 m. Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. All seats free at all services. Strangers cordially welcome. Union Bible club for study of the lesson on Thursday evening at 7:45. All cordially welcome. Special service Christmas morning at 10:30, communion.

The Evangelical Lutheran Church—Fourth Sunday in Advent. Gospel, John 1:1-28; epistle, Phil. iv, 4-7. Pulpit collectors, Holy Trinity, Adams avenue and Mulberry street. Rev. Charles G. Spieker, pastor. Services 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school 12 m. Epworth league 6:30 p. m. St. Mark's Lutheran Church—Rev. A. L. Ramer, Ph. D., pastor. Services 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Luther league 6:30 p. m.

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St. Paul's Lutheran Church—Rev. W. C. L. Lutz, pastor. Services 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school 2:30 p. m.

Plymouth Congregational Church—Morning service at 10:30 o'clock and evening service at 7 o'clock. Sabbath school at 12 o'clock. Sherman avenue mission school at 2:15 p. m. The pulpit will be occupied by Rev. R. H. Davies, of Meadville, Pa.

Summer Avenue Presbyterian Church—Corner of Summer avenue and Price street. Rev. L. R. Foster, M. A., pastor. Morning service at 10:30, prayer and praise service. Sabbath school at 2 p. m. Evening service at 6 o'clock. Preaching by the pastor. Topic, "The Glory of the Son of God." Senior Christian Endeavor service at 7 o'clock. Choir and cantata practice Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Wednesday evening prayer meeting at 7:30 o'clock.

Simpson Methodist Episcopal Church—Rev. J. E. Sweet, pastor. Third quarterly meeting for the conference year. Love feast at 9. Communion service at 10:30. Sunday school at 12. Junior league at 3. Epworth league at 6. Evening sermon at 7. Sermon by the pastor, text, Matthew xxii, 21, "What Think Ye of Christ?" This is the last sermon of the series. All seats free and a very hearty welcome to all.

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Schedule in Effect November 15, 1897.

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7:30 a. m., week days, for Sunbury, Harrisburg, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, and for Pittsburg and the West.

10:15 a. m., week days, for Hazleton, Pottsville, Reading, Norristown, and Philadelphia; and for Sunbury, Harrisburg, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington and Pittsburg and the West.

3:15 p. m., week days, for Sunbury, Harrisburg, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington and Pittsburg and the West.

8:15 p. m., Sundays only, for Sunbury, Harrisburg, Philadelphia, and Pittsburg and the West.

6:00 p. m., week days, for Hazleton and Pottsville.

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Stations in Lehigh Valley—Lehigh Valley R. R., 6:45, 7:50 a. m., 12:05, 1:25, 4:41 p. m. (with Black Diamond Express) 11:30 p. m.

Trains leave Scranton for Pittston, Wilkes-Barre, etc., at 8:20, 9:15, 11:20 a. m., 12:45, 2:05, 5:00, 6:10 p. m. Sunday 8:00 a. m., 1:00, 2:15, 7:10 p. m.

For Lakewood and Atlantic City, 8:20 a. m.

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Del., Lacka. and Western.

Effect Monday, Nov. 21, 1897.

Trains leave Scranton as follows: Express for New York and all points East, 1:15, 3:05, 5:15, 8:00 and 10:05 a. m.; 12:55 and 3:25 p. m.

Express for Easton, Trenton, Philadelphia and the South, 5:15, 8:00 and 10:20 a. m.; 12:55 and 3:25 p. m.

Washington and way stations, 2:45 p. m. Tobyhanna accommodation, 6:10 p. m.

Express for Binghamton, Owego, Elmira, Corning, Bath, Danville, Mount Morris and Buffalo, 12:15, 2:35, 5:00 a. m., and 1:55 p. m., making close connections at Buffalo to all points in the West, North-west and Southwest.

Binghamton and way stations, 1:05 p. m. Binghamton and Elmira express, 5:55 p. m.

Express for Utica and Richfield Springs 2:55 a. m. and 1:55 p. m.

Elmira, 2:35, 9:00 a. m., and 1:55 p. m.

For Northumberland, Pittston, Wilkes-Barre, Plymouth, Bloomsburg and Danville, making close connection at Northumberland for Williamsport, Harrisburg, Baltimore, Washington and the South.

Northumberland and intermediate stations, 6:00, 10:05 a. m., and 1:55 and 6:00 p. m. Nanticoke and intermediate stations, 6:45 and 11:10 a. m., Plymouth and intermediate stations, 3:35 and 8:30 p. m. For Kingsport, 12:45 p. m. Pullman parlor and sleeping coaches on all express trains.

For detailed information, pocket timetables, etc., apply to M. L. Smith, District Passenger Agent, depot ticket office.

Trains leave Scranton for New York and intermediate points on Erie railroad, also for Hazley and local points at 7:50 a. m. and 2:35 p. m. Arrive at Scranton from above points at 10:20 a. m., 3:15 and 9:38 p. m.

Erie and Wyoming Valley.

In effect Sept. 19, 1897.

Trains leave Scranton for New York and intermediate points on Erie railroad, also for Hazley and local points at 7:50 a. m. and 2:35 p. m. Arrive at Scranton from above points at 10:20 a. m., 3:15 and 9:38 p. m.

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Delaware and Hudson.

On Monday, July 5, trains will leave Scranton as follows:

For Newark, 7:55, 8:55, 10:15 a. m., 12:00 noon; 1:21, 2:30, 3:52, 6:25, 7:57, 8:15, 10:45 p. m., 12:10 a. m.

For Albany, Saratoga, Montreal, Boston, New England points, etc., 6:20 a. m., 1:25, 4:41 p. m.

For Honesdale—6:20, 8:55, 10:15 a. m.; 12:00 noon; 2:30, 5:25 p. m.

For New York, 7:50 a. m., 12:05, 1:25, 4:41, 6:00, 7:50, 8:50, 11:20 p. m.

For New York, Philadelphia, etc., via Lehigh Valley R. R., 6:45, 7:50 a. m., 12:05, 1:25, 4:41 p. m. (with Black Diamond Express) 11:30 p. m.

For Pennsylvania R. R. points—6:45, 8:25, 10:15, 11:20 p. m.

For western points via Lehigh Valley R. R., 7:50 a. m., 12:05, 1:25 with Black Diamond Express, 5:25, 11:30 p. m.

Trains will arrive at Scranton as follows:

From Carbondale and the north—6:40, 7:45, 8:40, 9:34, 10:40 a. m.; 12:00 noon; 1:30, 2:35, 4:41, 5:45, 7:45, 8:45, 11:25 p. m.

From Wilkes-Barre and the south—6:15, 7:50, 8:50, 10:10, 11:55 a. m.; 1:15, 2:14, 3:48, 6:20, 8:21, 9:40, 8:40 p. m.; 12:45 a. m.

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For Pittston and Wilkes-Barre via D. & H. R. R., 8:00, 8:55, 11:10 a. m., 1:55, 3:55, 6:00 p. m.

For White Haven, Hazleton, Pottsville, and principal points in the coal regions via D. & H. R. R., 6:45, 7:50 a. m., 12:05, 1:25, 2:28, 4:41 (Black Diamond Express), 11:30 p. m.

For Bethlehem, Easton, Reading, Harrisburg and principal intermediate stations via D. & H. R. R., 6:00, 8:05,